<u>REMARKS</u>

Claims 1, 4, 7, 10, 13-15, 20-21 and 24-29 were examined by the Office, and in the Office Action of May 13, 2008 all claims are rejected. With this response claims 1, 4, 10, 13-15, 20-21 and 24-28 are amended. All amendments are fully supported by the specification as originally filed. Support for the amendments can be found at least from page 7, lines 6-8 and page 11, lines 1-14. Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections in view of the following discussion.

Claim Objections

In section 7, on page 3 of the Office Action, claims 21, 24-26 and 28 are objected as improperly reciting indefinite articles. In response, claims 21, 24-26 and 28 are amended to properly recite "the" when referring to a previous claim. Accordingly, applicant respectfully requests withdrawal of the objections.

Claim Rejections Under § 102

In section 9, on page 3 of the Office Action, claims 1, 4, 7, 10, 13-15, 20-21 and 24-29 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as anticipated by O'Neill (U.S. Appl. Publ. No. 2003/0176188). Applicant respectfully submits that claim 1 is not disclosed or suggested by O'Neill, because O'Neill fails to disclose or suggest all of the limitations recited in claim 1. Claim 1 is amended to recite receiving a request for full authentication, transmitting a reauthentication identity including a unique realm name identifying an authentication server, and receiving a request for reauthentication including the reauthentication identity. Claim 1 is amended to clarify that both a request for full authentication and a request for reauthentication are received. In response to the request for full authentication a reauthentication identity is transmitted, which is then used in the request for reauthentication. Applicant respectfully submits that O'Neill at least fails to disclose or suggest these limitations recited in claim 1.

In contrast to claim 1, O'Neill discloses that a remote access message (550) is transmitted towards an access node (128) to request access to a remote access service. The message (550) includes a network access identifier (NAI) having a user part and a realm part. The realm part identifies the home AAA server (114) of the mobile node (202). This allows the access node (128) to send an authentication and authorization request message towards a visited AAA server

(135), which generates and sends a proxy AAR message towards the home AAA server (114). See O'Neill paragraph [0053]. However, O'Neill does not disclose or suggest transmitting to the terminal a reauthentication identity including a unique realm name uniquely identifying the authentication server, as a result of receiving a request for full authentication from the terminal. Instead, O'Neill does not disclose that the realm part of the NAI identifying the home AAA server (114) is transmitted to the MN (202), and is silent on how the MN (202) is provided this information. Furthermore, claim 1 is amended to distinguish between a request for <u>full</u> authentication and a request for <u>reauthentication</u>. O'Neill is silent regarding full authentication and reauthentication, and only states that the request is for access to a remote access service while in the visited domain. Therefore, since O'Neill fails to disclose or suggest reauthentication, O'Neill also necessarily fails to disclose or suggest receiving a request for reauthentication including the reauthentication identity, as recited in claim 1. For at least these reasons, claim 1 is not disclosed or suggested by O'Neill and applicant respectfully requests withdrawal of the rejection to claim 1.

Independent claims 4, 10, 13, 15, 20 and 27 are amended to include limitation similar to those recited in claim 1. Therefore, for at least the reasons discussed above with respect to claim 1, these independent claims are not disclosed or suggested by O'Neill.

The claims rejected above and depending from the above mentioned independent claims, are not disclosed or suggested by O'Neill at least in view of their dependencies.

Claim Rejections Under § 103

In section 19, on page 6 of the Office Action, claims 14 and 21 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as unpatentable over O'Neill in view of Barriga-Caceres et al. (U.S. Appl. Publ. No. 2003/0163733). Claims 14 and 21 ultimately depend from an independent claim, and Barriga-Caceres fails to make up for the deficiencies in the teachings of O'Neill identified above. Therefore, claims 14 and 21 are not disclosed or suggested by the cited references at least in view of their dependencies.

Conclusion

For at least the foregoing reasons applicant respectfully submits that the present application is in condition for allowance, and such action is earnestly solicited.

The undersigned respectfully submits that no fee is due for filing this Amendment. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge to deposit account 23-0442 any fee deficiency required to submit this paper.

Respectfully submitted,

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